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SUBJECT: AID TO LEBANON

1. SENATOR ABOUREZK INTRODUCED BILL (SR -2941) ON FEBRUARY 6 TO AMEND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT TO AUTHORIZE AID "FOR RELIEF AND REHABILITATION OF REFUGEES AND OTHER NEEDY PEOPLE IN LEBANON." AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED LATER, EITHER BY AMENDING THIS BILL OR BY A,PROPRIATION LEVEL. FUNDS WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO AMOUNTS AVAILABLE UNDER OTHER SECTIONS OF THE ACT AND WOULD BE AVAILABLE UNTIL EXPENDED (I.E., NO-YEAR MONEY). ASSISTANCE TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO EXTENT PRACTICAL UNDER AUSPICES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OR ARRANGEMENTS OR PRIVATE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. SENATORS HUMPHREY AND KENNEDY ARE COSPONSORS.

2. WE HAVE BEEN IN REGULAR CONSULTATION WITH SENATOR ABOUREZK ABOUT HIS INITIATIVE, AND HAVE ALSO DISCUSSED THE CONCEPTS IN INTER-AGENCY MEETINGS. THRUST OF SENATOR'S BILL IS IN DIRECTION OF U.S. PARTICIPATION IN MULTI-LATERAL

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EFFORT. AT THIS POINT, WE CANNOT, HOWEVER, JUDGE WHERE

THIS INITIATIVE WILL GO, WHETHER BILL WILL PASS, OR WHAT POSITIONS WILL BE TAKEN WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE. IF

LEBANESE MAKE INQUIRIES, YOU SHOULD SAY THERE IS GREAT SYMPATHY IN U.S. FOR CURRENT SUFFERING IN LEBANON, AND A GENUINE DESIRE TO BE HELPFUL, BUT THAT YOU ARE NOT IN POSITION TO SPECULATE ABOUT ANY SPECIFIC MEASURES.

3. WE APPRECIATE INFORMATION PROVIDED BEIRUT 1136 AND 1165, AND RECOGNIZE THAT INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON LEBANESE NEEDS IS LIMITED. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS WE EXPECT RE HOUSING, WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER MORE DETAILED INFORMATION MAY BE AVAILABLE ON EXTENT OF NEED FOR REPAIR OF HOUSING AND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOUSING TO REPLACE DESTROYED SHELTER. SISCO

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